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FM AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 4657
INFO AMCONSUL DJIBOUTI
AMEMBASSY JIDDA
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E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: PDEV, FT
SUBJECT: HIGH LEVEL ETHIOPIAN REPRESENTATION AT DJIBOUTI
INDEPENDENCE CELEBRATION

1. CONTRARY TO OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT JUNE 20, PMAC
CHAIRMAN MENGISTU DECIDED NOT TO GO TO DJIBOUTI FOR
INDEPENDENCE CELEBRATION, "DUE TO PRESSURE OF WORK."
WHETHER WORK, PRESTIGE FACTORS, OR SECURITY PROBLEMS
WERE REAL REASON, HE DID SEND HIGH LEVEL DELEGATION
IN HIS STEAD JUNE 27, INCLUDING ATNAFU ABATE AND
BERHANU BAYEH, NUMBER TWO AND THREE MEMBERS OF DIRG
RESPECTIVELY, AND THREE CABINET MINISTERS.

2. ETHIOPIAN PRESS HAS GONE OUT OF ITS WAY TO WISH NEW
NATION SUCCESS AND PROSPERITY, AND MENGISTU'S OWN
CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE STRESSES BROTHERLY LINKS BETWEEN
TWO PEOPLES, WITH NO POLEMICS AGAINST SOMALIA.
EDITORIALS MAKE UP FOR THIS OMISSION, HOWEVER, BLASTING
SOMALIA'S "PSEUDO-SOCIALIST REGIME, WITH ITS CURIOUS
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MIXTURE OF SOCIALISM, RELIGIOUS FANATICISM, AND
EXPANSIONISM" FOR INTERFERENCE AND ECONOMIC SBAOTAGE
TO CUT LIFELINE BETWEEN ETHIOPIA AND DJIBOUTI. EDITORIAL
ALSO CLAIMS THAT SOMALI PRESIDENT SIAD BARRE REFUSED OUT-
RIGHT INVITATION TO ATTEND CEREMONIES, THEREBY EXPRESSING
SOMALI DISPLEASURE OVER INDEPENDENCE AND DEMONSTRATING
ANNEXATIONIST POLICY.

3. UPON HIS RETURN TO ADDIS ABABA JUNE 27, ATNAFU
CHARACTERIZED REUTERS REPORT THAT ETHIOPIAN DELEGATION
WALKED OUT OF CELEBRATIONS AS FABRICATED STORY WHICH HAD
NOT HAPPENED AT ALL. EMBASSY NOT IN POSITION TO VERIFY
ONE WAY OR OTHER, SINCE ACCOUNTS HERE SPEAK ONLY OF
CORDIAL RECEPTION OF DELEGATION DURING ENTIRE BRIEF STAY
IN DJIBOUTI.
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